

February 3, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Commission Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
CY-B402
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Proceeding 03-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am pleased to recommend approval of the pending application by SBC for long distance service in Michigan.

SBC is a valued corporation in our community. Not only does it provide essential telecommunications services, but it is also an important employer and civic leader in Michigan.

As a private, nonprofit corporation, Vista Maria recognizes and welcomes the potential for lower long distance rates created by SBC's possible entry into the market. Moreover, SBC has a solid performance track record and has met the Michigan Public Service Commissions stringent 14-point checklist. It is our hope that this application is approved and SBC is allowed to bring the same commitment to long distance service that it has demonstrated in other services.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cameron D. Hosner
Executive Director